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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: ZERO LOOSENESS FASTENER FOR LINKAGE ASSEMBLY"  
Group Art Unit: 3632  
Examiner: Amy Jo Sterling  
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**RESPONSE**

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To the Honorable Commissioner:

This Response is filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in response to the Office Action mailed February 13, 2006. Applicant requests entry of this amendment and reconsideration of the final rejection. The three-month deadline for response expired on May 13, 2006. Accordingly, applicant petitions for a one-month extension of time until June 13, 2006.

Please consider the amendments and remarks herein prior to further examination of the above-identified application. This Response includes the following: (1) **Amendments to the Claims** - beginning on page 2; and (2) **Remarks** -beginning on page 6.

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